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Firefighters extinguish structure fire in Kekaha Wednesday

KEKAHA – Firefighters extinguished a structure fire that broke out in Kekaha on Wednesday morning.

No injuries were reported. Two residents were displaced. However, they declined assistance from the American Red Cross.

Firefighters from the Kalāheo, Hanapēpē, and Waimea fire stations; Rescue 3; the onduty Battalion Chief; and the Prevention Bureau responded to the incident.

According to preliminary reports, firefighters were dispatched to a structure fire on Hoʻomau Street in Kekaha at approximately 7:40 a.m. and arrived on scene at approximately 7:50 a.m.

Once on scene, fire personnel discovered smoke exiting from the windows of the dwelling. Fire crews also witnessed the owners of the dwelling and Good Samaritans utilizing garden hoses, attempting to extinguish the fire.

Once the fire was knocked down, firefighters utilized a positive pressure ventilation fan to remove the smoke from the structure. The fire was confined to the room of origin, which was located on first floor.

After assessing the incident, crews cleared the scene at approximately 9:50 a.m.

Fire inspectors estimate the damage to the structure and its contents to be roughly \$150,000.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation.



